

In the Claims:

1. (Once Amended) A method to handle cookies in a response Web page requested by a client, the response Web page having a response header, the method comprising [the steps of]:
  - generating a session id to identify a new session;
  - [stripping] stripping off any cookies set by an external web site from the response header of the response Web page and storing the cookies in a repository;
  - appending the session id to all of the links embedded in the response page; and
  - sending the modified response page, with the new header, to the client.
2. (New) A method for handling cookies for a client browser, comprising:
  - generating a unique session id in response to a request from a client browser;
  - removing any cookies from a response page for the request and storing the information in a cookie repository; and
  - appending unique session id to any URL in the response page before sending the response page to the client browser.
3. (New) A method according to claim 2, further comprising:
  - determining whether the client browser can accept cookies.
4. (New) A method according to claim 2, further comprising:
  - encrypting the session id.
5. (New) A method according to claim 2, further comprising:
  - checking the request for an existing session id before generating a unique session id.